

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Arthur William Anderson was born on July 4, 1908, to Nels and Betty Anderson, one of five children, on a farm homesteaded by his father south of Clearbrook, Minnesota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Arthur received a Bachelor of Science degree, a Master of Science degree, and also served in the United States Army. He accepted a job with South Dakota State University as an Assistant Farm Management Specialist and retired after 29 years as the Extension Economist; and,

Whereas, Arthur married Signe Vedvei on June 29, 1949, and to this union three daughters and three sons were born, Marilyn, Bonnie, Beth, Dave, Ron and Steve; and,

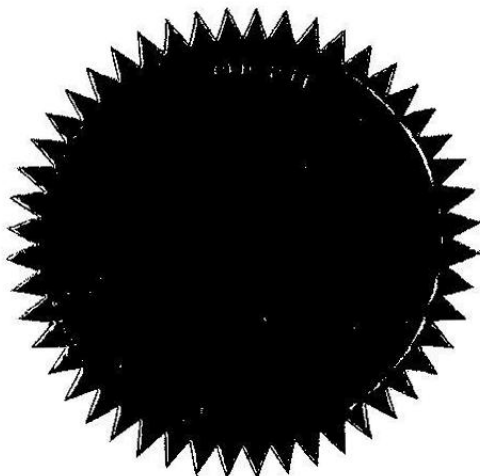
Whereas, Arthur will observe his 95th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 4, 2003, as

ARTHUR WILLIAM ANDERSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join all his many friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State